

originally filed claim 9, which lists glycoprotein antigens) as well as (b) polynucleotide antigens that encode immunogenic polypeptides (see, e.g., p. 10, lines 4-6).

Support for HIV antigen, hepatitis B virus antigen, hepatitis C virus antigens, *Haemophilus influenza* type B antigen, meningitis B antigens, pertussis antigen, diphtheria antigen, tetanus antigen and influenza A virus antigens in the claims can be found, for example, in the specification at page 14, line 22, and page 16, lines 10-14.

Support for a plasmid DNA molecule can be found, for example, in Example 7.

Support for a microparticle diameter between 500 nanometers and 30 microns in the claims is found, for example, at page 7, lines 8-13.

Support for an injectable composition in the claims can be found, for example, in the specification at page 22, lines 12-13.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, early notification of which is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (703) 433-0510 to discuss any outstanding issues in this case.

FEES

The Office is authorized to charge any fees required in connection with this application, to deposit account number 50-1047.

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